## Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1, 3, 5 through 18 and add Claims 19 through 21 to read, as follows.

(Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus comprising:

 a movable first image bearing member on which a toner image is formed; and
 a movable second image bearing member, which comes into member having a

contact part in contact with said first image bearing member and onto member, to which

the toner image on said first image bearing member is transferred,

wherein the toner image on said second image bearing member is transferred onto a transferring material, and the transferring material displays the toner image,

wherein a dot-shaped dot image formed of a toner different from the toner image is formable on said first image bearing member, and

wherein the dot image is variable according to a condition in transferring upon forming the toner image onto the on said transferring material.

- 2. (Original) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein an average printing ratio of the dot image varies according to the condition.
- 3. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein an arrangement of dots forming a dot distance of the dot image images varies according to the condition.

- 4. (Original) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein a dot size of the dot image varies according to the condition.
- 5. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition is comprises a type of the transferring material.
- 6. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the [[a]] type of the [[said]] transferring material is based on a surface property of the [[said]] transferring material.
- 7. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition is comprises an image forming formation speed.
- 8. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the image forming speed is formation speed comprises a moving speed of said first image bearing member and said second image bearing member.
- 9. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the toner image on said second image bearing member is transferred onto the [[said]] transferring material at a transferring part, [[part]] and said image forming speed is formation speed comprises a moving speed of the transferring material at the transferring part.

- 10. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the toner image on said second image bearing member is transferred onto the transferring material, the toner image on the transferring material is fixed onto the transferring material at a fixing part, and the image forming formation speed comprises a moving speed of the [[said]] transferring material at the fixing part.
- 11. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition is comprises an environment condition.
- 12. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition is comprises a condition of a frequency of use of the image forming apparatus.
- 13. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition is comprises a condition of the [[said]] toner image.
- 14. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein, in a moving direction of said first image bearing member, a leading end of wherein the dot image is has a leading end on a downstream side of a leading end of the toner image and a trailing end of the dot image is has a trailing end on an upstream side of a trailing end of the toner image. image in a moving direction of the first image bearing member.

- 15. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the dot image is formed of a using a yellow toner.
- 16. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the toner image is formed corresponding to each <u>color</u> of a plurality of colors and <u>the [[said]]</u> dot image is formed while <u>being superimposed on overlapping with</u> a first color toner image formed on the first image bearing member.
- 17. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first image bearing member and said [[the]] second image bearing member differ in a moving speed at a [[the]] contact part between said first image bearing member and said second image bearing member. part:
- 18. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said [[the]] first image bearing member comprises a photosensitive member and said [[the]] second image bearing member comprises an intermediate transferring member. body.
- --19. (New) An image forming apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the dot image is formed according to information different from information for forming the toner image, which a user demands.

- 20. (New) An image forming apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the transferring material does not display substantially the dot image.
- 21. (New) An image forming apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the dot image is invisible to a user.--